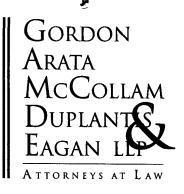
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June 6, 2001

Ref: 3553-21033

Honorable Philip N. Asprodites Commissioner of Conservation Post Office Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re:

Hearing Application

Upper Siphonina Davisi Sand, Reservoir A

SOUTHWEST ESTHER FIELD

Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

Applicant: Mosbacher Energy Company

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of Mosbacher Energy Company for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Upper Siphonina Davisi Sand, Reservoir A, Southwest Esther Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

- To create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 556 acres for the Upper Siphonina Davisi Sand, Reservoir A, designated as the U SD RA SUA, Southwest Esther Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
- To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said unit;
- To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
- To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the proposed unit;
- 4. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoir as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

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The Upper Siphonina Davisi Sand in the Southwest Esther Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the measured depths of 12,776 feet and 12,832 feet (electrical log measurements) in Mosbacher Energy-Louisiana Furs No. 3 Well, located in Section 14, Township 14 South, Range 2 East, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

In compliance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, a pre-application conference was held in Lafayette, Louisiana on June 6, 2001. Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a list of the names and addresses of the parties who were in attendance at that conference.

The conference was opened by Mr. B. J. Duplantis. Mr. Chip LeBlanc presented the plan of applicant. Questions were asked and answered. Mr. David Smelly and Mr. Louis Gilbert, on behalf of Woodson, et al, presented a plan of approximately 277 acres. Mr. David Sturlese, on behalf Summers, et al, concurred in the applicant's plan. The parties agreed they would continue to attempt to reconcile their differences. It is anticipated that there will be opposition at the public hearing on this matter.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the Upper Siphonina Davisi Sand, Reservoir A, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this hearing application. Should any such party desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. Chip LeBlanc of Geological, Inc., 3500 North Causeway Blvd., Suite 405, Metairie, Louisiana 70002 (504) 828-8700.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$700.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours

BJD/ht

Attachments

cc: Mr. John E. Caldwell, District Manager
Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

